FEDERAL OUTCOME MEASURES-draft

1. The infant mortality rate per 1000 live births.

Infant mortality rate is defined as the (number of deaths to children less than one-year old divided by the total number of live births) *1000. The source for this data is the Washington Center for Health Statistics Linked Birth and Death Certificate Files (updated annually between September and October) and reported in Washington State Vital Statistics, 1999.

2. The ratio of the black infant mortality to the white infant mortality.

The ratio is represented by the mortality rate for black infants/mortality rate for white infants by the definition given in (1). The source for this data is the Washington Center for Health Statistics (updated annually between September and October) and reported in Washington State Vital Statistics, 1999.

3. The neonatal mortality rate per 1000 live births.

The rate is determined by (the number of resident infant deaths occurring within the first 27 days of life divided by the total number resident live births)*1000. The source for this data is the Washington Center for Health Statistics Death Certificate Files (updated annually between September and October) and reported in Washington State Vital Statistics, 1999.

4. The postneonatal mortality rate per 1000 live births.

This rate is determined by (The number of deaths occurring to resident infants 28-364 days of age divided by the total number of resident live births)*1000. The source for this data is the Washington Center for Health Statistics Linked Birth/Death Certificate Files (updated annually, usually available by March) and reported in Washington State Vital Statistics, 1999.

5. The perinatal mortality rate per 1000 live births.

The rate is determined by [The number of resident fetal deaths ≥ 20 weeks gestation + resident infant deaths within the first 6 days of life divided by the total resident live births + Fetal deaths]*1000. The source for this data is the Washington Center for Health Statistics Linked Birth/Death Certificate Files (updated annually, usually available by March) and fetal death certificate file and reported in Washington State Vital Statistics, 1999.

6. The child death rate per 100,000 children aged 1-14.

The source for this data is the Washington Center for Health Statistics Death Certificate Files (updated annually between September and October) and reported in Washington State Vital Statistics. The rate reflects deaths to children ages 1-14 from all causes divided by the OFM-estimated population ages 1-14 by the Department of Social and Health Services, Research and Data Analysis, in the *Washington State Adjusted Population Estimates*, based on estimates by Claritas, Inc, and Office of Financial Management, July 1999.

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